Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Previously Presented) A shipping management computer system, said shipping management computer system comprising at least one computer device, wherein said shipping management computer system is programmed to:

receive from each respective user of a plurality of users, a respective input of a set of parcel specifications for shipping a respective particular parcel, wherein each respective user accesses the shipping management computer system over a global communications network using a respective user client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network; and

in response to each respective input, apply a set of carrier-specific shipping location rules for each carrier of a plurality of carriers to a respective default shipping location associated with the respective user and to the set of parcel specifications input by the respective user.

2.   (Previously Presented) A shipping management computer system, said shipping management computer system comprising at least one computer device, wherein said shipping management computer system is programmed to:

in response to a request by any particular respective user of a plurality of users to ship a particular respective parcel, identify each carrier of a plurality of carriers that would support shipping the particular respective parcel from a respective user-specific default shipping location that is associated with the particular respective user, wherein each respective user accesses the computer system over a global communications network using a respective client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network.

3.   (Previously Presented) A shipping management computer system, said shipping management computer system comprising at least one computer device, wherein said shipping management computer system is programmed to:

collect as a respective default shipping location for a respective particular user of a plurality of users, a user input from the respective particular user of a respective identification of a default shipping location for respective parcels to be shipped by the respective particular user, wherein each respective particular user accesses the computer system over a global communications network using a respective client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network; and

store in a database a respective record corresponding to each respective particular user, each said respective record comprising an identifier for the respective particular user, and further comprising the respective identification of the default shipping location for the respective particular user.

4.   (Previously Presented) The shipping management computer system of claim 3, said shipping management computer system further programmed to:

collect as parcel specifications for a particular parcel, user input from the respective particular user, wherein the parcel specifications comprise at least one of: a package type, a set of package dimensions, or a package weight of the particular parcel.

5.   (Previously Presented) The shipping management computer system of claim 4, said shipping management computer system further programmed to:

apply a respective set of shipping location rules for each respective carrier of a plurality of carriers to the respective default shipping location and the parcel specifications, input by the respective particular user.

6.   (Previously Presented) The shipping management computer system of claim 5, said shipping management computer system further programmed to:

for each respective carrier of the plurality of carriers, determine whether the respective carrier would support shipping of the particular parcel according to the respective set of shipping location rules for the respective carrier as applied to the parcel specifications for the particular parcel and the respective default shipping location input by the respective particular user.

7.   (Previously Presented) The shipping management computer system of claim 6, said shipping management computer system further programmed to:

calculate a respective service-specific, carrier-specific shipping rate for shipping the particular parcel for each respective service of a plurality of services offered by each respective carrier of the plurality of carriers, said respective service-specific, carrier-specific shipping rate calculated according to the respective set of shipping location rules for each respective carrier, and according to a respective set of pricing rules for each respective service offered by each respective carrier as applied to the parcel specifications for the particular parcel and the respective default shipping location.

8.   (Previously Presented) A method using a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, wherein said computer system comprises at least one computer device, the method comprising:

receiving from each respective user of a plurality of users, a respective input of a set of parcel specifications for shipping a respective particular parcel, wherein each respective user accesses the shipping management computer system over a global communications network using a respective user client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network; and

in response to each respective input, applying a set of carrier-specific shipping location rules for each carrier of a plurality of carriers to a respective

default shipping location associated with the respective user and to the set of parcel specifications input by the respective user.

9. (Previously Presented) A method using a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, wherein said computer system comprises at least one computer device, the method comprising:

in response to a request by any particular respective user of a plurality of users to ship a particular respective parcel, identifying each carrier of a plurality of carriers that would support shipping the particular respective parcel from a respective user-specific default shipping location that is associated with the particular respective user, wherein each respective user accesses the computer system over a global communications network using a respective client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network.

10. (Previously Presented) A method using a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, wherein said computer system comprises at least one computer device, the method comprising:

collecting as a respective default shipping location for a respective particular user of a plurality of users, a user input from the respective particular user of a respective identification of a default shipping location for respective parcels to be shipped by the respective particular user, wherein each respective particular user accesses the computer system over a global communications network using a respective client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network; and

storing in a database a respective record corresponding to each respective particular user, each said respective record comprising an identifier for

the respective particular user, and further comprising the respective identification of the default shipping location for the respective particular user.

11.   (Previously Presented) A method using a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, wherein said computer system comprises at least one computer device, the method comprising:

collecting as parcel specifications for a particular parcel, user input from the respective particular user, wherein the parcel specifications comprise at least one of: a package type, a set of package dimensions, or a package weight of the particular parcel.

12.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 11, said method further comprising:

applying a respective set of shipping location rules for each respective carrier of a plurality of carriers to the respective default shipping location and the parcel specifications, input by the respective particular user.

13.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 12, said method further comprising:

for each respective carrier of the plurality of carriers, determining whether the respective carrier would support shipping of the particular parcel according to the respective set of shipping location rules for the respective carrier as applied to the parcel specifications for the particular parcel and the respective default shipping location input by the respective particular user.

14.   (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13, said method further comprising:

calculating a respective service-specific, carrier-specific shipping rate for shipping the particular parcel for each respective service of a plurality of services offered by each respective carrier of the plurality of carriers, said respective

service-specific, carrier-specific shipping rate calculated according to the respective set of shipping location rules for each respective carrier, and according to a respective set of pricing rules for each respective service offered by each respective carrier as applied to the parcel specifications for the particular parcel and the respective default shipping location.

15.   (Previously Presented) A computer program product embodying computer program instructions for execution by a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, the computer program product comprising:

a set of program instructions for receiving from each respective user of a plurality of users, a respective input of a set of parcel specifications for shipping a respective particular parcel, wherein each respective user accesses the shipping management computer system over a global communications network using a respective user client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network; and

a set of program instructions for applying, in response to each respective input, a set of carrier-specific shipping location rules for each carrier of a plurality of carriers to a respective default shipping location associated with the respective user and to the set of parcel specifications input by the respective user.

16.   (Previously Presented) A computer program product embodying computer program instructions for execution by a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, the computer program product comprising:

a set of program instructions for identifying, in response to a request by any particular respective user of a plurality of users to ship a particular respective parcel, each carrier of a plurality of carriers that would support shipping the particular respective parcel from a respective user-specific default shipping location that is associated with the particular respective user, wherein each

respective user accesses the computer system over a global communications network using a respective client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network.

17.   (Previously Presented) A computer program product embodying computer program instructions for execution by a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, the computer program product comprising:

   a set of program instructions for collecting as a respective default shipping location for a respective particular user of a plurality of users, a user input from the respective particular user of a respective identification of a default shipping location for respective parcels to be shipped by the respective particular user, wherein each respective particular user accesses the computer system over a global communications network using a respective client computer device, and wherein each respective user client computer device is adapted for communication with the global communications network; and

   a set of program instructions for storing in a database a respective record corresponding to each respective particular user, each said respective record comprising an identifier for the respective particular user, and further comprising the respective identification of the default shipping location for the respective particular user.

18.   (Previously Presented) A computer program product embodying computer program instructions for execution by a computer system for managing shipping of a plurality of parcels shipped by any one carrier of a plurality of carriers, the computer program product comprising:

   a set of program instructions for collecting as parcel specifications for a particular parcel, user input from the respective particular user, wherein the parcel specifications comprise at least one of: a package type, a set of package dimensions, or a package weight of the particular parcel.

19.   (Previously Presented) The computer program product of Claim 18, said computer program product further comprising:

a set of program instructions for applying a respective set of shipping location rules for each respective carrier of a plurality of carriers to the respective default shipping location and the parcel specifications, input by the respective particular user.

20.   (Previously Presented) The computer program product of Claim 19, said computer program product further comprising:

a set of program instructions for determining, for each respective carrier of the plurality of carriers, whether the respective carrier would support shipping of the particular parcel according to the respective set of shipping location rules for the respective carrier as applied to the parcel specifications for the particular parcel and the respective default shipping location input by the respective particular user.

21.   (Previously Presented) The computer program product of Claim 20, said computer program product further comprising:

a set of program instructions for calculating a respective service-specific, carrier-specific shipping rate for shipping the particular parcel for each respective service of a plurality of services offered by each respective carrier of the plurality of carriers, said respective service-specific, carrier-specific shipping rate calculated according to the respective set of shipping location rules for each respective carrier, and according to a respective set of pricing rules for each respective service offered by each respective carrier as applied to the parcel specifications for the particular parcel and the respective default shipping location.